

RIVERTON CITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the
Regular Council Meeting
Held October 1, 2019
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was held on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor Richard P. Gard at 7:00 p.m. City Council Members present were Karla Borders, Tim Hancock, Mike Bailey, Rebecca Schatza, Kyle Larson and Cory Rota. Council Member Larson led the pledge of allegiance and Council Member Hancock conducted the invocation.

Roll call was conducted. Mayor Gard declared a quorum of the Council.

City Staff present: City Administrator Tony Tolstedt, City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson, Public Works Director Kyle Butterfield, Chief of Police Eric Murphy, Finance Director Mia Harris, Community Development Director Eric P. Carr, and Deputy City Clerk/Administrative Assistant Megan Sims.

Approval of the Agenda – Council Member Hancock moved, seconded by Council Member Borders to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the Mayor’s Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month before item number 9. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication from the Floor/Response to Citizen’s Comments – Lisa Williams, local business owner, invited the Council and community to a medical benefit for Amillia Hood and Diana Hood at the Elks on October 5, 2019. Larry Wallace approached the Council in regards to alcohol addiction. Bobby Falat with K2 News thanked the Council and City Staff for their acceptance and welcoming to the City. Mr. Falat announced his move to Natrona County.

Consent Agenda – City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson read the consent agenda items by title only: Approval of the Minutes – September 17, 2019 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of the Minutes – October 1, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting; Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendations – October 1, 2019 claims to be paid in the amount of \$443,130.27 and payroll / liabilities for 9/13/2019 in the amount of \$218,266.05 for a total of \$661,396.32; and Open Container Permit Application: **The Riverton Downtowner**, Outdoor Festival and Brewfest and Hunters Ball, October 12, 2019, Broadway Ave from Washington to Main, 2 pm – 11 pm. Council Member Borders moved, seconded by Council Member Schatza to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor’s Proclamation: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month – Mayor Richard P. Gard read a proclamation to the community proclaiming the month of October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

Public Hearing & Consideration of New Bar & Grill Liquor License Application: Brown Sugar Inc, d/b/a Brown Sugar Coffee Roastery – City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson reported of a bar and grill liquor license application received from Brown Sugar Inc, d/b/a Brown Sugar Coffee Roastery at 203 E Main St. The application has been certified as complete from the WY Liquor Commission, all proper fees have been paid, and proper notice to the public has been advertised. Council Member Schatza moved, seconded by Council Member Rota to open the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. There being no one to speak, Council Member Rota moved, seconded by Council Member Schatza to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Schatza moved, seconded by Council Member Borders to approve the bar and grill liquor license for Brown Sugar, Inc. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 19-010, 2nd Reading: Allowing Shipping Containers in Residential Zoning – Community Development Director Eric P. Carr presented Ordinance No. 19-010 on 2nd reading which addresses amending Chapter 17 to allow shipping containers in all residential and commercial office zoned districts. City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson read Ordinance No. 19-010 by title only. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Schatza to adopt Ordinance No. 19-010 on 2nd reading. Members from the community approached the Council regarding the ordinance. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Schatza to amend the main motion to include in the ordinance a limitation of eight (8) foot by twenty (20) foot in size and that the shipping container remains as one story high on the ground. Amended motion passed with Council Member(s) Borders, Bailey, Schatza and Mayor Gard voting aye. Council Member(s) Hancock, Larson, and Rota voting nay. Council Member Schatza moved, seconded by Council Member Bailey to amend the main motion to include in the ordinance ‘*and five (5) feet from the side and back property line.*’. Amended motion passed with Council Member(s) Borders, Bailey, Schatza and Mayor Gard voting aye. Council Member(s) Hancock, Larson, and Rota voting nay. Council Member Borders move, seconded by Council Member Schatza to amend the main motion to also include school districts to be allowed eight (8) foot by forty (40) foot shipping containers. Amended motion passed unanimously. Main motion, as amended, to adopt Ordinance No. 19-010 on 2nd reading passed with Council Member(s) Borders, Bailey, Schatza and Mayor Gard voting aye. Council Member(s) Hancock, Larson, and Rota voting nay.

Public Hearing & Consideration of Ordinance No. 19-011, 1st Reading: Prohibiting Engine Brakes in City Limits – City Administrator Tony Tolstedt presented Ordinance No. 19-011 on 1st reading which will prohibit engine

compression brakes to be used within City limits. City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson read Ordinance No. 19-011 by title only. Council Member Rota moved, seconded by Council Member Hancock to open the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. Bruce Kamminga, Jeremy Crews and Jennifer Long approached the Council in support of the prohibition of engine compression brakes. There being no others to speak, Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Hancock to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Rota moved, seconded by Council Member Bailey to adopt Ordinance No. 19-011 on first reading. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution No. 1398: Wyoming Water Development Commission Grant Amendment – Riverton Water Supply – Public Works Director Kyle Butterfield presented Resolution No. 1398 which supports a grant allocation increase and reversion date extension to the Riverton Water Supply Project Agreement between the City of Riverton and the Wyoming Water Development Commission (WWDC). City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson read Resolution No. 1398 by title only. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Schatza to approve Resolution No. 1398. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of Resolution No. 1399: WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant Application – Public Works Director Kyle Butterfield presented Resolution No. 1399 to support a WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant application to the Bureau of Reclamation for the water meter replacement project. City Clerk/Human Resource Director Kristin Watson read Resolution No. 1399 by title only. Council Member Borders moved, seconded by Council Member Rota to approve Resolution No. 1399. Motion passed unanimously.

Recycling Program Discussion – City Administrator Tony Tolstedt reported on the City’s recycling program. Mr. Tolstedt stated currently the City offers a recycling incentive to residents who participate in the recycling program by offering a credit for all customers who recycle at least once a month. If the recycling program is dissolved, the credit would no longer be available to customers. The combination of the removal of the credit and the elimination of the cost center would represent an annual operational savings of \$116,000 and an annual revenue increase of \$40,000 to the sanitation fund. Shawn Griffin, Chief Executive Officer of Community Entry Services, approached the Council regarding the recycling program. Council Member Bailey moved, seconded by Council Member Rota to direct City staff further investigate the costs associated with the recycling program that the City accrues. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Committee Reports & Council Members’ Roundtable – Council Member Schatza commented on Kickin’ Trash, reported on the next Chamber After Hours, and commented on the Community Engagement Committee; Council Member Larson commented on the Fremont County Solid Waste Disposal District meeting he attended; Council Member Rota commented on the Fall Festival on October 12th; Council Member Borders recognized Chamber Director Ashley Strickland for her hard work; Council Member Hancock commented on Riverton being in the top 50 places to live; and Council Member Bailey commented on the Airport Board meeting he attended.

City Administrator’s Report – City Administrator Tony Tolstedt commented on the AML grant application that was submitted; reported the Master Plan was approved through the County; the Vasco Addition is still in progress; and commented on the alignment of the speed limit signs on West Main St which is complete. Mr. Tolstedt also thanked all of the City Staff for their continued diligent work.

Mayor’s Comments – Mayor Richard P. Gard reported on the FORCC One Percent projects that were completed this year; commented on the North Federal Blvd project; commended the police department for the work they do as well as the City Staff and expressed his appreciation. Mayor Gard also commented on the Department of Agriculture working with local businesses to license their food establishments and the mine tour he attended last week.

Adjourn – There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Larson moved to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 9:35 p.m. There was no objection from the Council.

CITY OF RIVERTON, WYOMING

Richard P. Gard
Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristin S. Watson
City Clerk/Human Resource Director

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